ASSISTANT CLERK: No comments on that, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Okay, Senator Janssen, you're recommended to...you're recommended, you're recognized and you're recommended too, for that matter, to explain your motion to withdraw LB 987.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. The reason for wanting to withdraw this bill, 987, I understand there is another piece of legislation introduced that is similar to this and, well, almost exactly the same type of legislation, and I didn't feel there was any need for spending time and money on another hearing on this bill. And the other reason is, we are eroding the tax base with this bill, to some extent, also. And we certainly don't need any of that...any more of that than we have right at the present time. So that is basically my reason for asking you to withdraw this bill.

SPEAKER WITHEM: You've heard the motion. Is there any discussion? There is none. Senator Janssen, do you have a closing? Closing is waived. The question is, shall LB 987 be withdrawn? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 23 ayes, 0 mays on the motion to withdraw the bill.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Motion is adopted. LB 987 is no longer before the Legislature. Senator Will, the next item before us is a motion to adopt the permanent rules. Would you bring us up to date, just in general, on where we are. It's been a few days since we've been on this. And then we'll go to the...whatever motions are pending

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I would be glad to. Mr. Speaker, members of the body, we have, as you may recall, considered six different proposed recommended changes to the rules, that the Rules Committee recommended. We've dealt with five of those six, four of which were adopted. For your convenience and to refresh your memories, I have had distributed a packet that contains the text of all the rules changes that were proposed, including the one that we have rejected. The ones that were adopted are in the packet that's in front of you,